community, colour or political opinion do express in no unmistakable terms their hearty co-operation with all the endeavours of His Highness' Government for the successful prosecution of the war and for the maintenance of internal peace and order in the State. With these few words I commend the motion for the acceptance of the House.

Mr. N. Krishna Aiyar (*Vaikom, Kottayam and Changanacherry* cum *Peermade*): I support the motion.

Mr. M. Govindan (*Nominated*): I do heartily support the motion.

Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertallai*): I also support the motion.

President: It is hardly necessary for me to say that such a motion is quite appropriate and I have no doubt that the House will pass it unanimously. I may assure the House that it will be the aim of His Highness' Government to implement His Highness' desire in this matter. It is only fitting that the Council has expressed its unequivocal determination to help the Government in this endeavour. With these words I put the motion to the vote.

The motion was put to vote and carried unanimously by the House.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution re: holidays—(contd.)

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar (*Parur, Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Sir, when the House adjourned in last January, discussion on the following resolution moved by me had not concluded:—

> "This Council recommends to Government that the public holidays recently abolished be restored in view of the importance of the holidays."

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Sir, I accept the resolution. Government have already stated that the matter will be re-considered. I may assure the honourable members that orders will be issued very shortly.

President: Does the House now propose to go on with this resolution?

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Sir, I wish to make a few observations in connection with this motion.

President: Yes.

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Mr. T. Krishna Pillai: Sir, on a point of order. Can an honourable member speak in support of the motion at this stage?

President: The question arises this way. I find from notices given to me that seven honourable members have already spoken on this including the honourable member who is on his legs. In the meantime the Chief Secretary has stated that the whole question is being re-examined and very shortly Government propose to issue orders on the subject of holidays. In that connection I have asked the honourable members whether they propose to go on with the resolution. At that juncture Mr. Kuruvilla wanted to make some observations and I permitted him to do that.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Sir, I wanted to bring to the notice of this House and the Government that the Christians followed two calendars in regard to the observance of their religious days. There are those who follow the Western Church and others who follow the Eastern Church. Sir, going though this list, I find that the Western Calandar alone is taken into consideration. I only want to make a suggestion.

President: Honourable member knows quite well that according to the Greek Calendar almost every day is different, Christmas day is different, and the Easter days are different. I have some vague idea that on particular years the Christmas day has varied as much as 11 days.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Yes. So, if you give the option for Government servants to choose between the one day or the other, it may be of advantage to the department as well, because all the Christians will not avail themselves of the leave at the same time if you give them the option to choose their holidays according to the Western or Eastern Calendars. I just want to point out this.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: Sir, in view of the assurance given by the Chief Secretary to Government, I beg to withdraw the resolution.

The motion was by leave withdrawn.

The following resolutions were not moved:

Raising the pay of the Pakuthi Accountants.

2. MR. K. M. KESAVAN: This Council recommends to Government that the pay of the Pakuthi Accountants be raised to Rs. 18 per mensem.

Raising the pay of the Proverthikars.

3 MR. K. M. KESAVAN: This Council recommends to Government that the salary of the Proverthikars be raised to Rs. 25, Rs. 30 and Rs. 35 according to their grade.

Nationalisation of Salt Industry.

4. MR. K M. KESAVAN: This Council recommends to Government that the salt industry of the country be nationalised.

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